

EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

1. An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it **MUST** be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Takashi Saito on 4/14/09.

The application has been amended as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Cancel claim 18.

2. The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance: The prior art fails to teach a process of making an anisotropic conductive film including the step of impregnating or infiltrating liquid into the porous parts of the laminated body comprising polytetrafluoroethylene (PTFE) film, and that liquid is then made it freeze and increasing the temperature of the laminated body to return the freezing into the porous parts to liquid and then removing the liquid as the context of claim 19.

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

Terminal Disclaimer

3. The terminal disclaimer filed on 2/17/09 disclaiming the terminal portion of any patent granted on this application which would extend beyond the expiration date of US application S/N 10/559,580 has been reviewed and is accepted. The terminal disclaimer has been recorded.

Conclusion

4. The prior art made of record and not relied upon is considered pertinent to applicant's disclosure. Echigo et al (US 2002/0029906) illustrate a removable film laminating porous resin layers as mask on both surfaces of the porous resin base to form a laminate of a 3 layered structure and removing the masks from the base (paragraphs 0008, 0026) and such teaching constitute the deletion of claim 18, which is discusses in the interview summary (attached); Afzali-Ardakani et al (5,591,285) and Neely (4,719,145) illustrate conventional teaching of catalytic deposition.

5. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Shamim Ahmed whose telephone number is (571) 272-1457. The examiner can normally be reached on Tu-Fri (6:00-2:30) Every Monday Off.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Nadine G. Norton can be reached on (571) 272-1465. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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